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Office Action Summary	Application No. 09/290,579	Applicant(s) ASADA, HIDEKI	
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 19 October 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 90,96,98,104 and 106 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 90,96,98,104 and 106 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 13 April 1999 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

0.1 This office action is in response to amendment filed on 10/19/04. Claims 1-89, 91-95, 97, 99-103, 105, 107-109 are canceled. Claim 96, 98, 104 are amended and claims 90 and 106 are pending.

Specification

1. Applicant is reminded of the proper content of an abstract of the disclosure.

A patent abstract is a concise statement of the technical disclosure of the patent and should include that which is new in the art to which the invention pertains. If the patent is of a basic nature, the entire technical disclosure may be new in the art, and the abstract should be directed to the entire disclosure. If the patent is in the nature of an improvement in an old apparatus, process, product, or composition, the abstract should include the technical disclosure of the improvement. In certain patents, particularly those for compounds and compositions, wherein the process for making and/or the use thereof are not obvious, the abstract should set forth a process for making and/or use thereof. If the new technical disclosure involves modifications or alternatives, the abstract should mention by way of example the preferred modification or alternative.

The abstract should not refer to purported merits or speculative applications of the invention and should not compare the invention with the prior art.

Where applicable, the abstract should include the following:

- (1) if a machine or apparatus, its organization and operation;
- (2) if an article, its method of making;
- (3) if a chemical compound, its identity and use;
- (4) if a mixture, its ingredients;
- (5) if a process, the steps.

Extensive mechanical and design details of apparatus should not be given.

The following guidelines illustrate the preferred layout for the specification of a utility application. These guidelines are suggested for the applicant's use.

2. The abstract of the disclosure is objected to because the abstract does not correspond to the claimed invention. Particularly, it seems that the abstract corresponds to figure 3 while the claimed invention corresponds to claim 1. Correction is required. See MPEP § 608.01(b).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 90, 96, 98, 104 and 106 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Brownlow (U.S. Pat. No. 6,064,362).

As to claims 90 and 98, Brownlow (fig. 13) shows an active matrix-type liquid crystal display device comprising a pixel electrode (note pixel Clc) and a MOS transistor circuit (6a_i, 6b_i), the pixel electrode being driven by the MOS transistor circuit (6a_i, 6b_i), the MOS transistor circuit (6a_i, 6b_i) disposed in the vicinity of a cross-over point of one of a plurality of scanning lines (Scan I to i+3) and one of a plurality of signal lines (i., data lines), the MOS type transistor circuit including a first MOS transistor (6a_i), in which a gate electrode is connected to the scanning line (Scan i), and one of a source electrode and a drain electrode is connected to the signal line (i.e., data lines); and an analog amplifier (11_i), in which an input electrode is connected to the other one of the source electrode and the drain electrode of the first MOS transistor and a power supply electrode is connected to the scanning line (note power supply Vdd), and an output electrode (common electrode) is connected to the pixel electrode (Clc).

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As to claim 96, method claim 96 corresponds to apparatus claim 90, therefore, it is analyzed as previously discussed in claim 90 above.

As to claim 106, Brownlow (fig. 13) shows an active matrix-type liquid crystal display device, wherein the MOS transistor circuit (6a_i, 6b_i) is formed by integrating thin film transistors.

As to claim 104, method claim 104 corresponds to apparatus claim 90 and 98; therefore, it is analyzed as previously discussed in claims 90 and 98 above.

Response to Arguments

5. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 90, 96, 98, 104 and 106 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

6. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. See PTO-892

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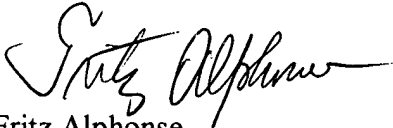
7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Fritz Alphonse, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3813. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F, 8:30-6:00, Alt. Mondays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Albert De Cady, can be reached at (571) 272-3819.

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